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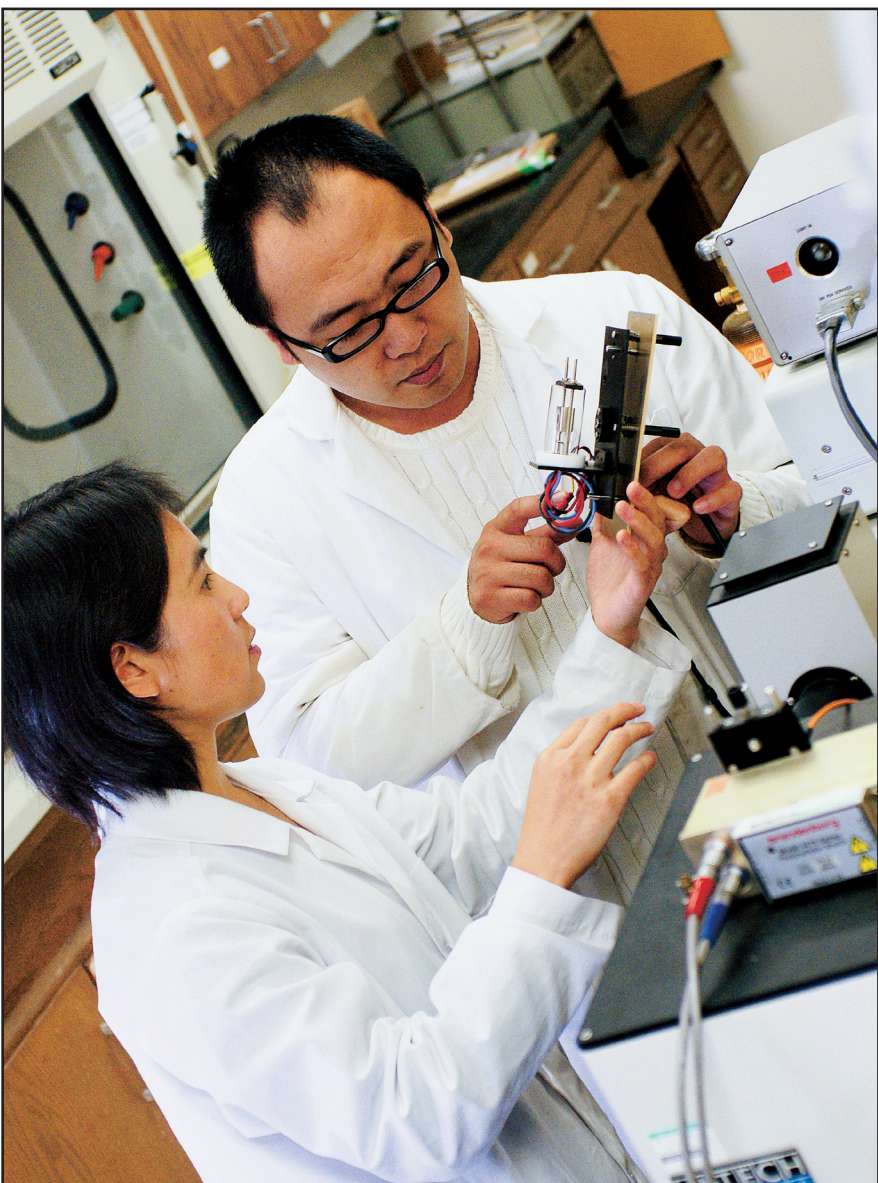
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Chinese graduates receive chemistry research grant



WEIFANG HAO AND ZHAO LI collaborate during a chemistry lab. USU Chinese graduate students recently received \$665,000 for research in organic chemistry. PETE P. SMITHSOUTH photo

By CATHERINE MEIDELL
assistant news editor

USU Chinese graduate students have received a \$665,000 grant for their research in organic chemistry. The funds will sustain three years of research and when the research is done, the chemists hope to prove that organic chemical reactions are more complex than the one-step procedure that is currently taught. The project is led by Vernon Parker, an organic chemistry professor. This will be the seventh grant that Parker's research has been given.

Research for the project started in 1998 while observing "reactive intermediates generated at an electrode," Parker said. It has since transformed into a controversial topic that will potentially disprove textbooks.

Parker is working with former USU assistant professor Jin-Pei Ching who is leading similar research in organic chemistry at Nanki University in China. Parker said he has gone to China four times in the last five years to collaborate with the chemists working on the project. Nanki University is the institution making the continuous research project financially possible. The research project is titled "International Collaboration in Chemistry" and is a division in the National Science Foundation.

Parker said, "We want to know what happens during the process from reactant to product. There is a minimum of two steps to our knowledge, but the research is controversial."

He said this will be tested by watching how a reactant becomes an intermediate and then reacts further to go to the product. The chemists then must understand what is happening to the reactant in the product. Parker said the main goal is to set the science straight on how the reactions take place because starting the reaction process in the wrong place is less effective.

Two Chinese graduate students, Weifang Hao and Zhao Li, are getting their degrees in organic chemistry and have been working on the project for two years. Since the funding allows four researchers to work on the project, two more students from Nanki University are in the process of being selected to come to USU.

When Hao and Li graduate, two more students will be sent to USU to fill their shoes. Universities in America allow more opportunities to students because Chinese professors are busy with students and can't spend one-on-one time with them, Li said.

Hao said the project takes all of her time every day. Even when she isn't in the laboratory, she is at home thinking about it or keeping herself up to date on the chemistry advances occurring all over the world.

To conduct their experiments, Li and Hao begin by using the designated instruments to collect data from the reactions that take place after combining the chemicals, Hao said. They then analyze the data with programs written by Parker and discuss the results with him to see if any more conclusion can be drawn. Li said he and Hao will perform hundreds of tests to continually prove their theory that the old chemical reaction process is too simple. Hao said they must run many tests because some of the data isn't acceptable and when problems like this arise, he and Li discuss with Parker how to fix them. She said the subject is controversial because a lot of scientists don't want to believe they have been wrong all these years.

"We have so much experience in it now. In my opinion the evidence is too good to be contested," Parker said.

If the research can successfully prove the organic chemical reaction process to be more complex than what is being taught now, the knowledge can be carried over into every field that uses organic chemistry, Parker said. He said the world of chemistry will have taken one step further and the accomplishment will be useful in understanding the chemical systems.

Parker said, "The goal of many scientists is mainly to figure out how things happen."

He said he aims to develop the project with other faculty and students but the construction of it will take time. The project needs the support of the younger generation who are not attached to old teachings, Li said.

"We hope that more young people will join the research if they are interested," Li said.

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Companies, student researchers benefit from innovations

By CHELSEY GENSEL
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Researchers at USU received 11 patents and 10 copyrights for the year, from a record 80 invention disclosures.

Utah State University Archaeological Services, inc. (USUAS), the first company from the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences to be licensed through the university, began an excavation project along the Colorado River to assess the effects of the Glen Canyon Dam.

USUAS also recently won a contract to begin working with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in Las Vegas, Nev.

Ken Cannon, director of USUAS and adjunct professor for anthropology, said the company was formed with the intention of using company royalties to provide research and field-work opportunities for students, especially in conjunction with the new master's of science program in archaeology for students wanting to specialize in cultural resource management and to support USU's anthropology department.

As a company, USUAS contracts projects with the government or private industries to help them through the Section 106 process. According to this process, which falls under the National Historic Preservation Acts, sites to be developed using federal money need to be assessed for cultural and environmental impact. USUAS offers expertise in surveying and, if necessary, excavating those sites, Cannon said.

"Most of the time we don't find anything, and we can give clearance for the project at that site," Cannon said. "But it is important for us to be part of that initial process. The last thing we want to do is excavate and destroy that data."

The company can work with BLM to make recommendations to move the project, notify any indigenous cultures and protect the site, Cannon said. USUAS uses geophysical prospecting software, developed through university research, to detect what might be buried at a site without putting a shovel in the ground and causing the least disturbance, Cannon said.

"What we're selling to clients is good service," Cannon said. "We provide them with information to get through the (Section 106) process on time and within budget, and to do that we have to develop and maintain a reputation."

He said there are a lot of proposals out there, and as the company "grows and becomes more successful" there's potential of hiring students not just in archaeology but in sociology, historic architecture and other areas.



PLAQUES LINE THE WALL of the Innovation Campus, demonstrating the volume of patents received by university researchers. For the year, USU researchers also had a record 80 invention disclosures. STEVE SELLERS photo

Even though cultural resource management is a billion-dollar industry, Cannon said, it's a small community and most of the work is found through word of mouth, which will generate projects and bring money to USU students. USUAS is one of five companies created using USU technology in the 2009 fiscal year.

USU had a record 80 invention disclosures. An invention disclosure is just an idea, said Jacoba Mendelkow-Poppleton, public relations and marketing specialist for the office of Strategic Ventures and Economic Development (SVED). The idea is inves-

tigated to determine whether it can be commercially applied and marketed, and if so, the Technology Commercialization Office (TCO), of which SVED is a part, files a patent for the innovation or invention.

Patents are filed for idea disclosures with the best marketability, Poppleton said. If the technology can be licensed out to a company, whether it is formed at USU or private industry, then

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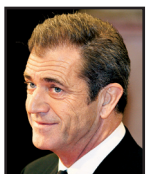


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Celebs&People

LOS ANGELES (AP) – A judge has ruled that Mel Gibson's conviction stemming from his notorious 2006 drunken-driving arrest is being expunged. The ruling Tuesday came after his lawyer had requested the dismissal. The actor-director successfully completed the terms of his three-year probation following the misdemeanor drunken-driving arrest in which he made derogatory comments about Jews and women.



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NewsBriefs

126 arrested, cited during sweep

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) – Salt Lake City narcotics detectives arrested or cited 126 people during a three-day intensive drug sweep. The department conducted a routine monthly operation last week. It concentrated on an area around downtown Salt Lake City. Detectives made 73 arrests for drug purchasing and 32 for drug distribution. Salt Lake City police spokeswoman Lara Jones says 16 people were held on immigration detainers and 11 were arrested on outstanding warrants.

LateNiteHumor

David Letterman, Oct. 7, 2009 – Top 10 Questions To Ask Yourself Before Adopting A Monkey.

10. "Do I need another monkey?"
9. "Is there a leasing option?"
8. "Have I properly monkey-proofed my home?"
7. "Should I adopt something more traditional like a raccoon?"
6. "Is there still a chance we could have a monkey naturally?"
5. "Do you sell 'My Monkey Is An Honor Student' bumper stickers?"
4. "Will I get hit with a heavy monkey tax?"
3. "Should I teach it to sneeze like that hilarious monkey on Letterman?"
2. "Can I raise him Jewish?"
1. "Will everything smell like Amy Winehouse?"

Study finds that 2 million die during childbirth

JOHANNESBURG (AP) – More than 2 million babies and mothers die worldwide each year from childbirth complications, outnumbering child deaths from malaria and HIV/AIDS, according to a study. The study, released Tuesday at the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics world congress being held in Cape Town, also showed that such deaths could be easily avoided. "The world will continue to miss the unheard cry of the 230 babies who die every hour from childbirth complications," unless there is better planning and implementation of policies, according to the study. Some 1.02 million babies are still-born and another 904,000 die soon after birth. By comparison, 820,000 children die from malaria and 208,000 die from HIV/AIDS worldwide. About 42 percent of the world's 536,000 maternal deaths also occur during childbirth, according to the study. Deaths in Africa and South Asia account for three-quarters of the maternal and infant deaths. The research was led by Save the



KATIN KETHSAMRAU, LEFT, and Angsana Suyata stand together in this Aug. 15, 2000 file photo. Both were infected with the AIDS virus at birth. AP photo

Children, the Gates Foundation and Johns Hopkins University with investigators from a dozen countries. It was published in the October edition of the federation's journal. "The huge numbers hide multiple personal stories of loss," said Joy Lawn,

who runs Save the Children's Saving Newborn Lives campaign. "Each death is a tragedy to a family – actually a double tragedy since almost all these deaths could be prevented." The report said that many of the deaths could be avoided with improve-

ments in basic health care, and training for local health care workers to perform emergency cesarean sections and other lifesaving techniques. Lawn said she hoped that the study would be used by countries to ensure money was invested where it was needed. Poverty is one of the main causes of these deaths. In wealthier countries most women give birth with a skilled attendant while in poor countries, few women do. Most deaths also occur in remote rural areas where there are few doctors and nurses. Each year, 60 million of the world's 136 million births occur outside health facilities, and only one out of every five babies born in African hospitals are cared for by skilled staff. Lawn told The Associated Press that researchers were taken aback by the shocking figures and the lack of attention given to these mothers and their babies. "It is seen as women's business. Stillbirths don't count. Sometimes the deaths of women don't even count," she said.

Utah Gov. Herbert meets with gay rights groups

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) – Utah Gov. Gary Herbert met with gay rights advocacy groups Tuesday for the first time since saying he opposes providing legal protections for gay and transgender people. Herbert took office in mid-August after Jon Huntsman resigned to become U.S. ambassador to China. Within weeks of his inauguration, Herbert said he doesn't think it should be illegal to discriminate against someone for being gay or transgender. In Utah, it's currently legal to fire someone or evict them from housing for being gay. Herbert contends that discriminating against gay people is wrong – but says there's no need for a law to prevent it. He's also expressed concerns that including gay and transgender people in anti-discrimination laws could enable a court to overturn the state's

constitutional ban on gay marriage and lead to other groups seeking protection. "Where do you stop? I mean that's the problem going down that slippery road. Pretty soon we're going to have a special law for blue-eyed blondes ... or people who are losing their hair a little bit," Herbert told reporters in August. "There's some support for about anything we put out there. I'm just saying we end up getting bogged down sometimes with the minutiae of things that government has really no role to be involved in." Twenty-one states have laws prohibiting workplace discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, and 12 extend those laws to gender identity – California, Colorado, Iowa, Illinois, Maine, Minnesota, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont and Washington. Several other states protect public employees

who are gay or transgender. Leaders of the gay rights advocacy group Equality Utah said Herbert told them he's open to having a dialogue about stopping discrimination. "Fundamentally, he agrees that discrimination is a problem. We're coming at this from how to solve a problem we agree on. That's a great place to begin," said Will Carlson, Equality Utah's public policy director. Carlson said Equality Utah members provided Herbert with information regarding housing and job discrimination in the state and spelled out the need for gay couples to have hospital visitation rights and the right to make emergency medical decisions. Later Tuesday, Herbert met with the Foundation for Reconciliation, a group organized in June by current and former Mormons frustrated by their faith's political activism in California. In 2008, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was part of a coalition of groups that worked to pass Proposition 8, a ballot initiative that banned gay marriage in California. Foundation director Cheryl Nunn, who lives in both Utah and Santa Cruz, Calif., said the group's execu-

tive committee is made up entirely of heterosexuals concerned about issues affecting LGBT individuals. The foundation requested a meeting with Herbert following his comments about anti-discrimination laws. The group has asked Herbert to form a bipartisan task force to investigate inequality in Utah's legal code toward lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals. "He described himself as a conservative who was very wary about increasing government in any way," foundation spokesman Peter Danzig said Tuesday night. "But he agreed with us that it's hard to make public policy without accurate information." Danzig said that Herbert also said he doesn't want Utah to be perceived as state that is rejecting or unwelcoming of any of its citizens. Herbert spokeswoman Angie Welling said the point of Tuesday's meetings was not to make any policy decisions. "This is really an information gathering and kind of an introduction to one another so the conversation can continue," Welling said.

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– Gov. Gary Herbert

Parents in prayer death get probation, some jail

WAUSAU, Wis. (AP) – A central Wisconsin couple who prayed rather than seeking medical care for their 11-year-old dying daughter were sentenced Tuesday to six months in jail and 10 years probation in the girl's death. Dale and Leilani Neumann could have received up to 25 years in prison for second-degree homicide in the March 2008 death of Madeline Neumann, who died of an undiagnosed but treatable form of diabetes. Prosecutors had asked for a three-year suspended prison sentence and 10 years probation. Defense attorneys had sought four years probation. Marathon County Circuit Court Judge Vincent Howard told the Neumanns they were "very good people, raising their family who made a bad decision, a reckless decision." "God probably works through other people," he

told the parents, "some of them doctors." The case was believed to be the first of its kind in Wisconsin involving faith healing in which someone died and another person was charged with a homicide. Prosecutors contended the Neumanns recklessly killed their youngest of four children by ignoring obvious symptoms of severe illness as she became too weak to speak, eat, drink or walk. They said the couple had a legal duty to take the girl to a doctor but relied totally on prayer for healing. "We are here today because to some, you made Kara a martyr to your faith," Howard told the parents. In testimony at trial and videotaped interviews with police, the parents said they believe healing comes from God and that they never expected their daughter to die as they prayed for her and sum-

moned others to do the same. A friend who was at the family's rural Weston home called 911 after the girl stopped breathing. During the sentencing hearing, Dale Neumann, 47, read from the Bible and told the judge that he loved his daughter. "I am guilty of trusting my Lord's wisdom completely. ... Guilty of asking for heavenly intervention. Guilty of following Jesus Christ when the whole world does not understand. Guilty of obeying my God," he said. The judge ordered the couple to serve one month in jail each year for six years so the parents can "think about Kara and what God wants you to learn from this. One parent would serve the term in March and the other in September. Howard stayed the jail sentence while the couple's convictions are appealed.

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PART OF NATURAL RESOURCES WEEK, the Expo on the Quad gave students a chance to explore clubs from the College of Natural Resources as well as get information from various other booths. Topher Haskell, freshman in forestry, pulls his side of a two-man saw. TYLER LARSON photo

Inventions: Patents give companies a reason to invest

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high-tech jobs researching and developing them can stay in the valley.

USU's TCO and SVED, which work out of the Innovation Campus, are aiming at Utah Science Technology and Research (USTAR) initiatives introduced in 2006 by then-Gov. Jon Huntsman Jr. to keep jobs and revenue within the state. USTAR has research teams statewide, nine of which are at USU.

The research park at the Innovation Campus hopes to recruit more companies to the area and bring more economic potential to Logan, Poppleton said.

That way, "those 300 engineers who graduate (from USU) every year won't have to leave Cache Valley," she said. "They can do high-tech work here."

If those jobs stay in the valley, the state will receive more tax revenue and the university will collect more royalties.

The 11 patents received, out of 44 USU filed, were for a multitude of products like a pneumatic particle sorter, a control system for a weapon mount and an induced sludge blanket anaerobic reactor.

The pneumatic particle sorter, for example, has applications in pharmaceuticals and ink production because it allows particles to be partitioned by size without physically touching anything, so there's less risk for error than with fine meshes currently used for sorting, said Ray DeVito, director of TCO.

The weapon mount control system is "something you wouldn't want to be on the other side of," DeVito said. It allows control of an automatic weapon from a distance. The patented USU technologies were not the intentional outcomes of research, although some research teams do search for specific solutions to a problem.

The process for copyrights is different because they patent information instead of tangible products.

"It's not something that we hold in our hands, but it still had ownership as intellectual property (IP)," DeVito said.

Any IP discovered by a university employee belongs to the university, DeVito said. The ideas have to be disclosed and taken through the process of being copyrighted or patented, DeVito said. Copyrights are applied to softwares or handbooks, like the Substitute Teacher Training Handbook and Suite from USU this year.

DeVito said the increase in patents, copyrights and spin-out companies licensing technology is partly due to a different approach taken by TCO in 2008. He said it can cost between \$10,000 and \$20,000 to obtain a patent using an outside firm, but the university is doing more than ever in-house to cut down cost.

Of the roughly 11 employees in the office, two are patent practitioners, who negotiate with the United State's Patent Office; and one is a former patent examiner. Having someone who used to work on the other side is invaluable to the office in making the process run more smoothly, DeVito said.

"It's good to know what goes on on the other side of the table," DeVito said.

He said those employees along with researchers and student research assistants allow the office to process more ideas quicker.

"We do a pretty good job because we are in tune with the technologies. We don't have to interface as much (with experts outside the office)," DeVito said. "We had an option to find a more efficient way to do things or get more money to do it, and there was no more money to be had, so we did what we had to do."

For technologies from the university to be useful, there needs to be a commercial venue for it, DeVito said. "Patents are important because that gives companies an incentive to invest" in one company over another, DeVito said.

"We do want to have people view the university as a source for research," DeVito said. "Our office is to move (developed research) out of the university into a commercial sector. There comes a point where a university isn't the best way to market a technology. That's not the primary mission of an education institution."

The Innovation Campus provides a way for interaction to take place between the market and the university.

"We'd love to have more businesses locate here" because of the university and Innovation Campus, DeVito said. The gains for the univer-

sity are "not just financial but recognition," DeVito said.

The more patents that are filed through the TCO, DeVito said, the more students and faculty benefit. Students who work at TCO are exposed to unique cases each time one comes before them, allowing them to gain real-world experience in business.

"It's important for students to know that opportunities are available to them," Poppleton said. "If we're complacent in our education and don't seek out research opportunities, we lose the ability to be involved."

Students who work at TCO and with research teams don't always come from a business or engineering background. There are students working toward law or medical degrees and other fields, she said. The benefit is they know how to file patents and can use that in business, she said.

It is mostly faculty that invent, however students who work with those faculty are often named on

the patent.

"If you don't work closely with a professor while you're in school, that is your choice not to get involved, but then you may wish you'd have known more," Poppleton said.

Companies that are created to use USU technology, like USUAS, have students in mind so they can benefit by being involved and by using company profits for scholarships and to fund research.

Though it took several years of faculty development, USUAS began working on projects specifically in conjunction with students studying for a master's during fall semester, because it takes time for returns when technology has been licensed. Returns are faster on things that can be licensed quickly, like software, but mechanical inventions and biotechnology can take five to 15 years, especially with pharmaceutical technology that has to go through Federal Drug Administration approval, DeVito said.

Since some companies seek a particular technology that USU has, Poppleton said, USU attends trade shows and advertises what it has.

"One problem we have is there are only five of us full time, and there are over a thousand researchers within the university," DeVito said.

With each of those researchers there can be a new market to understand. The office of the vice president of research, which SVED is under, is there to oversee the development as it happens, Poppleton said.

Other companies and products that emerged from all the processes over the last year include Dynamic Screening Solutions, a company to make it easier to fill out forms; Thermal Management Technologies and EcoAirtech, both created by retired USU engineering professor Clair Batty; software applications for differential geometry and office software programs PowerPay and AdviseAid.

Those interested in more information about USTAR research or the Technology Commercialization Office can visit www.ustar.usu.edu or follow USU_Ustar and USU_techcom on Twitter.

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"Patents are important because that gives companies an incentive to invest."

— Ray DeVito,
director of the Technology
Commercialization Office

Writing words of thanks



TO SHOW THEIR APPRECIATION, from left to right, Kristin Peterson, freshman in nursing, Talia Greer, freshman in nutrition and food science, and Emily Measom, junior in chemistry, write cards in the Taggart Student Center Tuesday as part of the Thank-a-Thon for Tuition Freedom Day. Jan Appuhn, director of the Old Main Society, said the event had an "outstanding" turnout, with more than 125 students writing thank-you cards Tuesday. Appuhn said she expects more participation in the event's second and final day Wednesday, Oct. 7, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the TSC. RACHEL A. CHRISTENSEN photo

Briefs

Campus & Community

Humanitarian coming to campus

Padma Venkataraman, 2009 international humanitarian of the year, visits Utah State University Wednesday, Oct. 7, to give a presentation, "Making a Difference through Service and Humanitarian Outreach: Working With the Leprosy Affected in India."

The presentation is at 12:30 p.m. in the Huntsman School of Business Auditorium, Room 215. Her visit to USU is made possible through JaLynn Prince, a College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences donor.

Venkataraman is a leading figure in India's national fight against leprosy and its resulting stigma and is visiting Utah to receive the Enterprise Mentors International annual International Humanitarian Award for her work in educating and lifting thousands of leprosy-afflicted families from poverty.

"We are thrilled to welcome Venkataraman to the United States and to honor her for decades of service to thousands of the poorest of the poor," said Mark Petersen, CEO of Enterprise Mentors. "She represents the best that is in all of us and is an example for the world."

In India, she has been most active in grassroots work in leprosy rehabilitation for 15 years. She was honorary director of a FAO/All-India Women's Conference Project for leprosy patients in the 4,000-strong Shahdhara Colony in Delhi, and she worked with Hope Worldwide to construct houses for 800 families there. For more than five years she was honorary director of a major Tamil Nadu wide Danida-funded leprosy rehabilitation project under the auspices of the Women's Indian Association, Chennai.

Guest drummer to play with big bands

USU's Jazz Orchestra welcomes drummer Jason Nicholson in its first concert of the 2009-2010 academic year Oct. 14 in the Performance Hall at 7:30 p.m. Nicholson joined the faculty in the department of music, Caine School of the Arts, as the new professor of percussion.

Tickets for the opening jazz concert are available at the Caine School of the Arts Box Office in the Chase Fine Arts Center, Room 138-B, 797-8022, or online at www.boxoffice.usu.edu and are \$8 for adults and free to USU students with a valid ID. Other discounts are also available.

New to the music department this year, Nicholson will perform with the USU Jazz Orchestra at the first big band concert of the year.

Museum celebrates superheroes Saturday

The Museum of Anthropology's "Saturdays at the Museum" Series at Utah State University Oct. 10 features Superhero Day: A Hero with a Thousand Faces. Ancient heroes and modern superheroes will be used to explain how cultures use concepts of idealized humans to explore their own strengths and limitations.

Museum guests are invited to dress up as their favorite superhero and enter the museum's costume contest, draw their own comic strip or have their likeness captured forever in caricature by local artist Doug Hills at 1:30 p.m. Museum guests will have a chance to hear a special presentation on ancient heroes by grad student Justin Hall at 11 a.m.

Funding for the event is made possible by a grant from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services. More information about the IMLS and its grants is available online (www.imls.gov).

USU students and members of the public are invited to the museum any time during the 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday hours. More information on this event or the museum can be found by calling museum staff at 797-7545.

■ *Compiled from staff and media reports*

Answers To Today's Crossword Puzzle!

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Answers

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Looking at nature through the lenses of students



GILBERT ROWLEY, senior in fisheries and aquatic science, peruses entries in the College of Natural Resources nature photo contest in the TSC International Lounge. Rowley said he entered a few of his pictures in the contest and was impressed with the other entries. He said the other contestants "just captured some real unique images of scenery and wildlife." The deadline is Thursday for students to vote for their favorite three photos. Contest winners will be announced and given prizes Oct. 9 at 4 p.m. in the Natural Resources Building. *RACHEL A. CHRISTENSEN photo*

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Nuclear Regulatory Commission awards education grants to Utah State University

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Utah State University has been included in the institutions to receive funding from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in 2009. The funding, provided to the NRC via Congress, will be used to boost nuclear education and expand the workforce in nuclear and nuclear-related disciplines.

Of the \$2.9 million distributed by way of 102 scholarship grants, USU was awarded \$199,341. Associate professor Barton Smith in the department of mechanical and aerospace engineering was the leading researcher, or principal investigator, for the education grant.

"This education grant will provide 12 \$10,000 scholarships this year and six more next year to students interested in a career in nuclear engineer-

ing," Smith said. "It will also allow students to perform nuclear-related research in

mechanical and aerospace engineering labs with MAE faculty. The grant means that the NRC sees USU as a good source of nuclear engineers for the future, and our department sees nuclear research as a major area of focus over the next decade."

USU faculty will also benefit from the \$449,574 granted for faculty development. Mechanical and aerospace engineering department head Byard Wood is the principal

investigator for the faculty development grant.

NRC Chairman Gregory B. Jaczko said, "As directed by the Congress, this funding provides broad benefits to the nuclear sector rather than solely benefiting the NRC. These grants help develop a workforce capable of the design, construction, operation and regulation of nuclear facilities and the safe handling of nuclear

materials."

This year the agency expanded the number of institutions receiving grants from 60 to 70 and increased the number of grants to minority serving institutions by 67 percent.

The NRC awarded 102 grants for scholarships (\$2.9 million) fellowships (\$5.4 million), faculty development (\$4.8 million), trade and community college scholarships (\$1.8 million) and nuclear education and curriculum development (\$4.8 million). Recipients are located in 29 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. The proposal limit was \$200,000. USU received awards at the upper limit, ranking among other prestigious schools such as Texas A&M University and Pennsylvania State University.

"The fact that we are listed alongside other prestigious universities is an indication of the visibility that USU's MAE program has attained in the nuclear area," said Smith. "The department has received a total of \$2 million this year alone in nuclear related funding. This scholarship grant will put USU students front and center in the nuclear renaissance currently underway in the U.S."

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From small town to the limelight

Students making it big in music industry

By DANIELLE ADAMS
staff writer

Farmington has yielded more than just crops. From the small town, two talented sisters have emerged who formed the internationally known band, Faces Without Names. Natalee Falk, 18, and Alexa Falk, 20, both music majors, have been singing together since they were toddlers. They recorded their first CD, “Two Steppin,” when they were 6 and 8 years old. Alexa said they would load up their little red wagon and go door-to-door selling their country CD for \$10 each.

Natalee said they won a competition called Star Mania in Las Vegas, and the prize allowed them to record their first CD. This exposure caught the attention of the Brazilian Wanessa Camargo through a common producer. She asked to buy the songs from the girls and they agreed. This granted them five hits in Brazil and shortly after they were signed to Warner Chapel Publishing. Alexa is tied with Michael Jackson to be the youngest publisher signed to this company at age 10, while Natalee is the youngest ever at 8.

Alexa said at age 11 she first had the extraordinary experience of watching her songs being performed by Camargo 11.

“We got a concert DVD of her singing a song that I wrote at this stadium, and everyone is holding candles and they were crying and singing, and I didn’t even understand that because when your little you just can’t understand that,” Alexa said.

The second and third albums have more pop vibes. “Girl Talk” and “Kiss Across the Ocean” were basically the same album: “Kiss Across the Ocean” was a more adult version of “Girl Talk”. Between the two albums Alexa said the girls sold another five of their songs to Camargo, gaining them five more Brazilian hits. All the songs went platinum, three became number one hits.

Their fourth CD is under their current self-titled band name Faces Without Names, which went international to places like Hong Kong and even charting over Coldplay in Germany and Europe. Natalee said this CD is the first that the girls went on tour with, singing their own songs.

In 2008, Alexa entered a song-writing

contest for Cosmo Girl and won with “Deadly Beauty” – a song at the top of the charts overseas by Faces Without Names. Natalee and Alexa said they just want to bring “happiness and self-love” to their fans. “Deadly Beauty” is about a girl who died of an eating disorder because she didn’t feel beautiful.

“I received letters from girls telling me that they went to rehab and got help for it, and that I helped them deal with their situation,” Alexa said. She also said they base their songs off unspoken problems or unfortunate events that people go through. Sending messages through their songs to give people an escape is important to the songwriters.

After the sisters attended Berkley College of Music on scholarships, they were offered a record deal and left. They moved to New York City only to be informed by their attorney that they should not agree to the contract terms and should turn down the offer. They were also close to closing deals with RCA and Disney just before their connections were fired or dropped from the labels, Natalee said. An unfortunate set back in their music career landed them at USU this fall.

“I am in the way good guitar program here, and we figure we want to do full-time school with full-time music getting more involved with the business side of things,” she said.

Currently the girls are changing their band’s name from Faces Without Names to their last name, Falk, with the help of their PR group in a marketing class at USU. The events coordinator of the public relations team, senior Lacy Broberg, said the group was helping Natalee and Alexa transition to become their own new brand.

“The team is working to get them new media kits, a new Facebook, new Twitter, new social media. We just want to make sure that everything is new as they transition,” Broberg said.

The girls had three separate bands under Faces Without Names, one in New York, Utah and Los Angeles. Alexa and Natalee were the “faces,” and the various bands were the “without names.”

“The boys wanted us to be called Gallactic Super Droids or something and that was kind of a problem,” Natalee said.

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SISTERS ALEXA, LEFT, and Natalee Falk, right, will be releasing their album on iTunes in the upcoming weeks. The sisters recorded their first CD, “Two Steppin,” when they were 8 and 6 years old. *PATRICK ODEN photo*

The troubles and transitions of transferring

By KASEY VAN DYKE
staff writer

Whether it’s due to increased tuition, better programs or a bad breakup, sometimes a school transfer is inevitable. Just as inevitable are the headaches that come from switching universities. Horror stories tell of lost credits, useless classes and repeated courses. So why go through the hassle? What is the process really like? Can these problems be avoided?

When first considering a transfer from USU, students should visit www.usu.edu/transfer. There is a transfer guide, offering information about credit articulation, a list of advisers, among other things. On the transfer Web site, students can also see frequently asked transfer questions, such as, “How should I begin the transfer process?” and, “What questions are transferable?” On the Web site, students can see how their credits will transfer from USU to other schools in Utah, Idaho and Wyoming, even BYU-Hawaii.

The Web site also offers advice for students transferring to USU. They would begin by filling out an application. According to the transfer Web site, once accepted by the university, transfer students send their transcripts in for evaluation of credits.

Lisa Hancock, program administrator for New Student Orientation, said the transcript is then sent to the Admissions Office and finally posted to the USU student record. She explained that articulation workers in the Registrar’s Office determine USU equivalency for the submitted credits. This is determined based on material covered by the submitted courses and how well they match up with USU courses. Finally, it becomes business as usual for the student as they continue their collegiate courses at USU.

When asked what the biggest problems seem to be for transfer students, Brandy Reeves, program coordinator for Articulation and employee of the Registrar’s Office, said many

problems come from schools lacking accreditation.

“The biggest challenges for transfer students are most often related to transferring from institutions which are not regionally accredited by one of the six regional accrediting associations,” Reeves said. “USU does not automatically accept credit from schools who are not regionally accredited, such as Stevens Henager or most campuses of the University of Phoenix.”

Reeves offered a helpful suggestion for transfer students in this situation.

tration, transferred to USU from the University of Utah in fall 2008. He said some students transfer because they dislike their current university.

“I transferred because I really didn’t like the (University of Utah),” he said. “That place just isn’t friendly.”

Shane Johnson transferred from BYU in 2007 and is now a senior in the parks and recreation program at USU. He also expressed dissatisfaction as a reason for transfer.

“I wasn’t enjoying BYU and when I changed my major I was studying there. I had no reason to stay,” he said. “I had only heard really good things about USU.”

The final challenge for most transfer students is the transition from one university to another. Snow offers suggestions for transfer students going through this transition.

“I’d say the best thing a transfer student can do to transition is to get involved in some way,” he said. “School activities and games, that’s how you get to know the personality of the school the best.”

Johnson agreed that involvement is the best way to transition.

“Get involved in the school,” Johnson said. “That’s the quickest way to meet the people of the new school and participate in all the activities the school offers. It’s exciting to start fresh, so just try it.”

Reeves advises students considering transfer to become informed and to do as much research as they can.

“My biggest suggestion for students is to do their research and become as informed as possible on their education,” she said. “If a student is considering transferring to USU, I would encourage

him or her to research USU’s Web site to learn what our transfer policies are.”

Transfer information can be found at www.usu.edu/transfer/guide.

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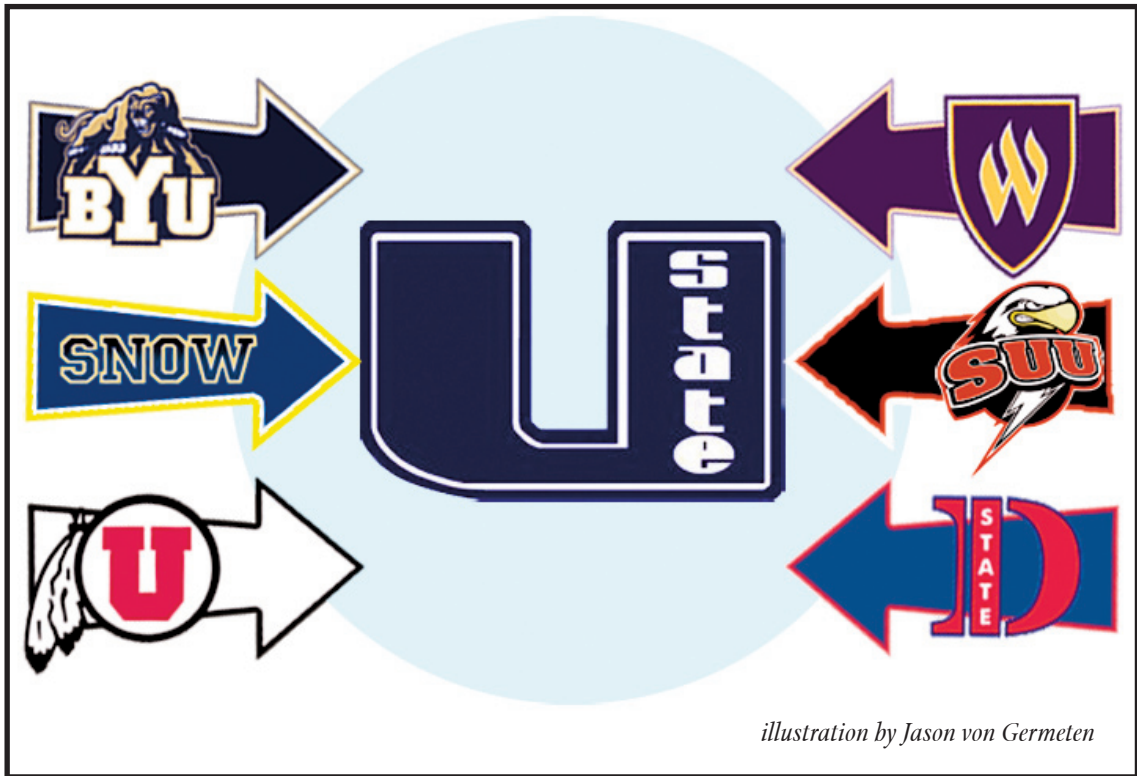


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“However, if a student chooses to, they may do a little extra leg work and speak with their adviser, as well as the individual academic departments to determine if any exceptions can be made,” she said.

The big question is why would a student go through the hassle of transfer? Adam Snow, junior studying business adminis-

Students find tomes of unimaginable knowledge

By JILL STETTLER
staff writer

Every day, hundreds of students flock to the library to study, take refuge from roommates, enjoy peace and quiet or meet with groups for class projects. Thousands of books line the shelves in the library, from references on all subjects to music CDs, magazines, newspapers and style guides. But unknown to most of the student population at USU, the Merrill-Cazier Library has books that wait for some unsuspecting student to pick them up. There are many of them. Take, for example, the Encyclopedia of Swearing by Geoffrey Hughes, a book that gives not only a definition of curses but also a history of every vulgar word in the English language.

Vicki Read, head of patron services in the library, explained why the Encyclopedia of Swearing is on the shelves.

“Typically, when we have books like that, it’s tied to culture,” Read said. “It shows the culture of what’s happening during a period of time and how swearing has evolved and how different words that didn’t used to be a swearword became a swearword. The purpose for those books are to show anthropology by looking at the evolution of man and his history through writing, rather than digging up graves.”

The library also has dictionaries of slang, which, like many books, constantly have to be updated, Read said. Dictionaries also need to be updated. For example, the word “bootylicious” is now in the Oxford Dictionary, Read said.

Another unique book in the library is “Scary Nuns: Sisters at Work and Play,” a collection of black-and-white pictures of nuns.

“It has that aura of this strict, disciplinary nun, that a lot of people that went to Catholic schools remember from their childhood. They probably say, ‘I remember Sister Adith, and she was the meanest, and she looks like the nun on Page 23.’”

“Codex Seraphinianus” is also available in the Merrill-Cazier Library. It is considered by publishers to be the weirdest book ever published, Read said. The book’s author, Luigi Serafini, made up his own language. Though it may look readable, it can’t be read, Read said.

“It is the history of mannerisms and flora

and fauna of this imaginary place,” said Kathy Schoknel, manager of arts and music collection in the library, in reference to “Codex Seraphinianus.”

Publishers circulated many odd books with the idea that books should be seen as art instead of just words. Some of the odd books are contained in a little white box in the Arts and Music Collection portion of the library. One of the more unique books inside the white box is inside a can that is the shape of play-dough. When opened, this book is a folded paper with a stamp on it, accompanied by a small packet of ink. That is what constitutes the book, Read said. Read’s favorite book is a crumpled paper that came inside of the white box.

“When we got it, we weren’t sure if it was a book or a filler,” Read said. “We’ve never opened it.”

Pop-up books are generally associated with children, but there are some pop-up books in the Merrill-Cazier Library that a child wouldn’t know what to do with. In these pop-up books, the format is set up to explain things, Schoknel said.

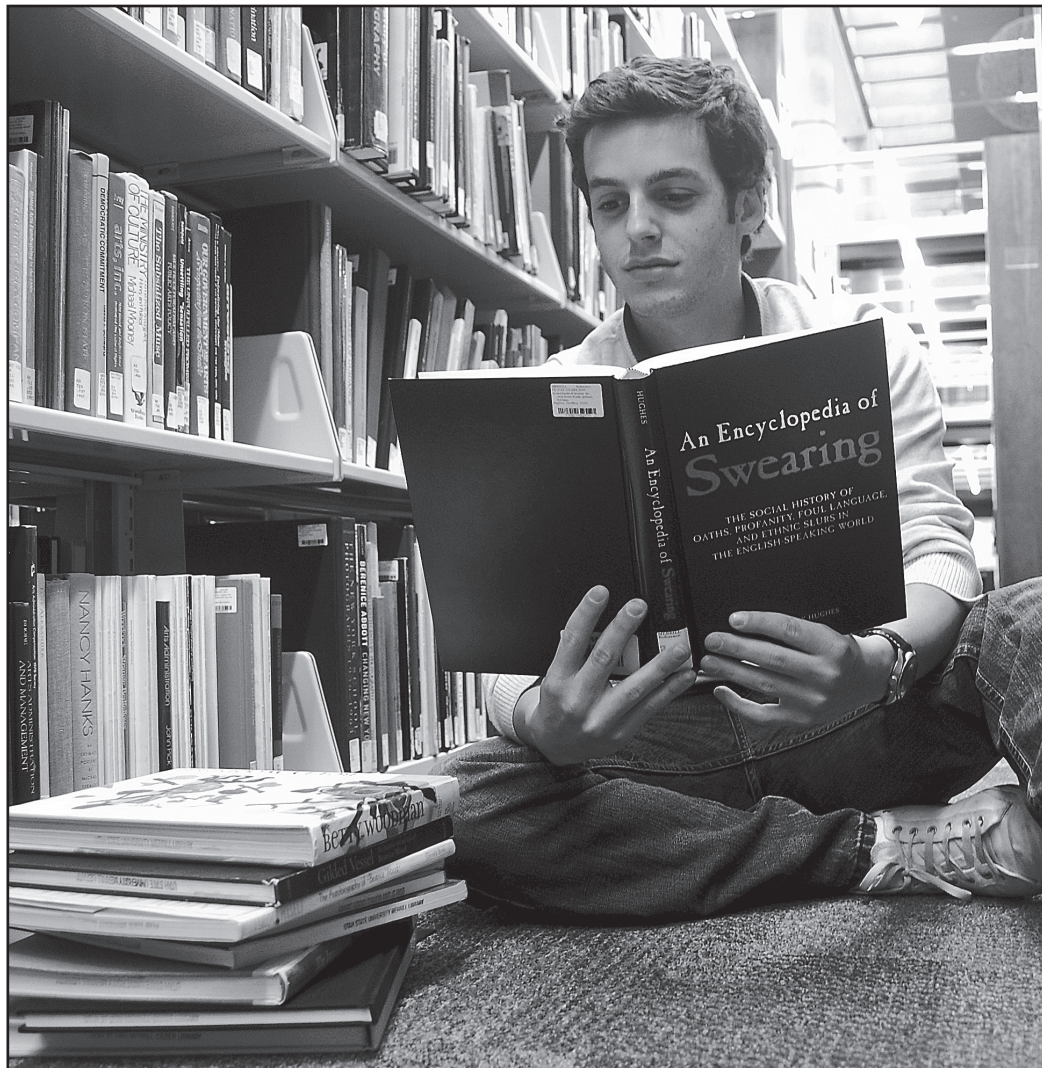
“It shows the possibilities of what you can do with visual material in pop-up format and how you can actually teach the concepts of art,” Schoknel said.

Read said, “It’s like a regular pop-up book you would buy for kids, except this is explaining art and how your eye is drawn to something.”

Though the pop-up books are well constructed, they’re not allowed to be checked out by anyone, Schoknel said.

A cultural history on canvas is available in the library as well, Schoknel said. The library has a large collection of the “Beat Poetry” started by a few people, such as Jack Kerouac. By looking at these collections of poetry, students can see how things changed in the world, Schoknel said.

Ann Buttars is the curator of Western and Mormon Americana and the associate librarian in Special Collections and has worked with every section of Special Collections. In this section of the library, students can find old university yearbooks, “Book of Hours,” a first-edition Book of Mormon – the first book the library purchased – manuscript collections from various people of significance such as Utah legislators and early Cache Valley diaries



MANY UNIQUE BOOKS ARE offered in the Merrill-Cazier Library. Vicki Read, head of patron services in the library said these books are on the shelves because they are tied to culture. ANI MIEZAKHANYAN photo illustration

and journals, Buttars said. Most of the items in this section were given to the library.

The Hatch Room is also in the Special Collections, Buttars said. It is the old English room and was given to the university in 1953 from the Hatch family. It dates back to the 1600s, Buttars said.

“We have a huge Jack London collection,” Buttars said. “We have the second largest collection in the nation.”

The library also has “Book Collection 21.”

“This collection is all of our erotica that we can’t put on the shelves because people would either mutilate it, steal it or faint,” Read said.

Other uncommon things that are in the Special Collections that students probably won’t find in any other library include a cowboy hat and a painting of a woman’s perspective of what the Bear Lake Monster looks like.

“The Special Collections is really a very fascinating place,” Buttars said. “You can come and see all sorts of things.”

Read and Schocknel encourage students to come to the library and take advantage of the resources there.

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Diwali offers students an opportunity for a shot of culture

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The Indian Student Association (ISA) will be hosting its annual celebration of The Festival of Lights Saturday Oct. 10 at 6 p.m. in the Taggart Student Center Ballroom.

The festival celebrates the return of the God Ram after 14 years in exile to his kingdom. His people lit the way back with lights, earning the celebration its name.

Ameya Mashruwala, attaining a Ph.D. in biochemistry, has been attending the celebration for three years and is helping to plan and execute the event as a way to give back to his

community.

The Diwali experience has been offered by the ISA for 20 years. Mashruwala said the goal of the event is to increase the association between the students and the Logan community.

“For lots of people, this is their first or only exposure to the Indian culture. They’ve maybe had takeout from the Indian Oven back when it was a gas station, but this is often the only time they get to learn about Indian culture,” Mashruwala said.

Mshruwala said the event consists of performances, dances and food. There will be a seven-course authentic Indian dinner, for vegetarians and meat eaters alike.

“The (Aggie) Marketplace will be cooking for the event. They have been really helpful and cooperative,” Mashruwala said.

In this year’s celebration there will be 15-18 dances, including Bollywood and traditional folk dances from the various states in India. Bollywood is India’s movie industry. The dances are drawn from the music and dance in the movies, which are often dramatic and fun. The dances will feature traditional and modern attire from India.

Bharatnatyam, a dance being performed, is a classical dance that originated in the Indian state of Tamil Nadu, Mashruwala said. “The dance can be accompanied by classical Indian music or it can be accompanied by a fusion of

Indian classical and western music,” he said.

Rajasthani is based on a folk dance from Rajasthan, a state in India. This dance will be performed for the audiences as well, featuring colorful costumes.

There will also be a dance to the song Jai Ho from the Oscar winning movie “Slumdog Millionaire,” a pantomime and Indian songs.

Mshruwala said each year the ISA sells 400-500 tickets to the Diwali festival and the ISA estimates having sold 450-480 tickets. Tickets will be sold at the door, for \$15-18, or can be bought by contacting Manzeer Shaik at 435-213-5755 or Ameya Mashruwala at 512-788-2744.

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DANCERS PERFORM AT the Diwali festival last year. This year the annual celebration will be Saturday Oct. 10 at 6 p.m. in the TSC Ballroom. The Indian Student Association estimates having sold 450-480 tickets for this year’s event. photo courtesy DANYAL KARAMATULLAH

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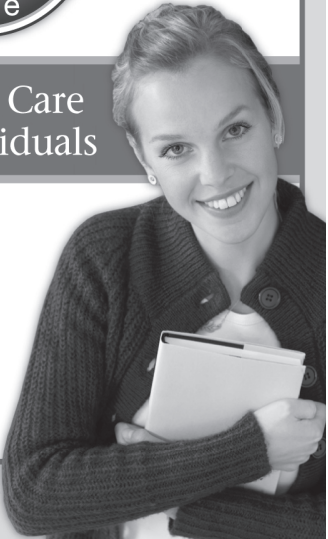
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'Chaffed' about Chaffetz

Congressman causing political stir in the House of Representatives

Who can name all three congressmen from Utah? Now, who can say all of their names correctly? How about the representative from Utah's third district, Jason Chaffetz?

OK, the first name is a give away, but the last name could be butchered easier than a turkey in November. It's simple, (CHAY-fits) as in, Jason is "chaffed" that the shirt "fits."

Now that we have his name down, let's move on.

This first-term congressman from Utah is making quite the political stir in the House of Representatives. He beat out 12-year veteran congressman Chris Cannon in 2008 on an agenda of representing traditional-conservative values. He promised to reject earmark spending and be fiscally responsible.

Since landing his position in the House of Representatives, it seems that Chaffetz hasn't slowed down a bit and became famous for sleeping on a cot in his office in D.C. to save money on rent.

The freshman congressman has been making waves in other areas of Congress as well. For example, Chaffetz was a strong opponent of the stimulus bill but soon after the bill passed, according to The Salt Lake Tribune, he made a dash for the cash. He wrote a letter to the U.S. Department of the Interior department seeking \$95 million for a Provo water project, which he didn't receive.

Chaffetz also reversed his ban on earmarks and, according to The Salt Lake Tribune, Chaffetz said he supports some earmarks as long as they fit his specifications.

Chaffetz is also one of the biggest opponents to the full-body scanners that are now being used by airport security throughout the country. He even said he was detained in the Salt Lake airport because of his outspoken stance against the scanning machines.

Chaffetz says that he supports a limited federal government and even attended Utah's version of the Tea Party protests in Salt Lake City on Sept. 12. He, along with Gayle Ruzicka, president of the Utah Eagle Forum, spoke at an event that was supposedly nonpartisan and lobbied for a smaller federal government.

This week, Chaffetz has been quoted in several national news outlets including The Washington Post and CNN because of his opposition to a gay rights bill making its way through Washington, D.C.

On Tuesday, the District of Columbia council introduced a bill that will legalize gay marriage. The bill is supported by 10 of the 13 Councilmembers. Nevertheless, because the District of Columbia is not a state, the House of Representatives has 30 days to review and vote on the bill. If no action is taken, the bill becomes a

law.

Chaffetz has promised to oppose the bill. He also opposed a bill passed earlier this summer that made the District of Columbia recognize same-sex unions that were done in other states.

Chaffetz acknowledges that it is likely that the bill will pass due to a large majority of Democrats in the House of Representatives.

So, if the democratically elected District of Columbia council overwhelmingly supports legal recognition of same-sex unions, why is Chaffetz fighting to strike the measure down? And why would a congressman from Utah think that he should be able to stop the very liberal, largely Democratic District of Columbia from legalizing gay marriage? What happened to letting the states decide? Why

should the federal government only intervene on matters concerning gay rights?

Granted, Chaffetz is on a congressional committee that oversees Washington, D.C. but after protesting a large federal government, it is hypocritical for him to want Congress to contradict the will of the people from the District of Columbia.

Another interesting fact that may or may not influence his opinion on gay rights is that, according to the Daily Kos, Jason Chaffetz's father came out as a gay man after divorcing his mother, Kitty Chaffetz. Kitty went on to marry Michael Dukakis in 1988 and Jason went on to be the co-chairman for the group, Dukakis for Utah. John Chaffetz, Jason's father, went on to be an author and recently wrote a book profiling two gay contestants on the reality television series, "The Amazing Race."

In the biography on Jason Chaffetz's Web site, there is no mention of John Chaffetz, his father.

It's good that we have gotten to know Chaffetz a little better. We might be seeing more of him in the future. According to The Deseret News, Chaffetz bought a few domains for the Internet: www.chaffetzforgovernor.com, www.chaffetzforse-nate.com and www.chaffetzforpresident.com.

Don't forget to go to www.aggietown-square.com to let me know what you think about congressman Chaffetz.

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Music: Album will launch on iTunes

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Now the girls are starting from scratch, just the two of them, back in Utah, doing their own thing, functioning as their own label and loving it. They said they are unsure of what genre they could categorize themselves as after being pop, country, pop rock and acoustic. Nevertheless, they just finished recording an album that should be on iTunes within the next few weeks.

Alexa said working with her sister has been a blessing. Although they are best friends, the girls do need their space.

"Let's just say there is nothing we don't know about each other," Alexa said.

Natalee said the girls sleep in the same bed and share each other's secret diaries.

"We share a car, when we're not together we call each other. It's a problem. We need our own lives," Alexa said.

Natalee said, "Just wait until we start getting boyfriends, we'll share that too."

"Natalee and Alexa are one of a kind," said their friend since childhood, Hillary Stark, junior at USU. "You can never find one girl without the other. They're always together."

The pair said they are currently not signed to any record label but being on iTunes gives them various distribution deals. In the future they hope to make a living off a career in music, doing what they love.

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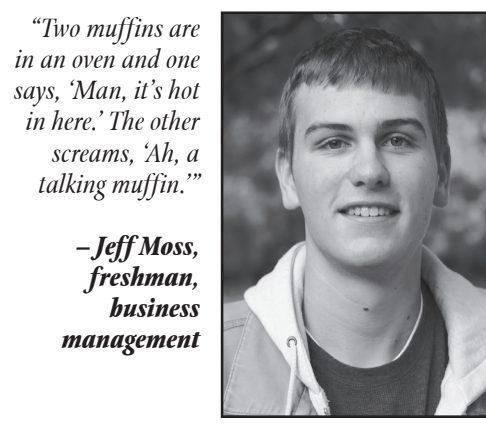
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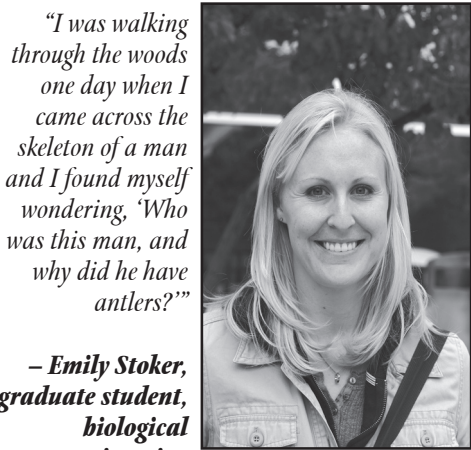
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— **Shane Johnson, senior, parks and recreation**



"Two muffins are in an oven and one says, 'Man, it's hot in here.' The other screams, 'Ah, a talking muffin.'"

— **Jeff Moss, freshman, business management**



"I was walking through the woods one day when I came across the skeleton of a man and I found myself wondering, 'Who was this man, and why did he have antlers?'"

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Who's Hot?



Rajric Coleman
FOOTBALL

- Recorded
13 tackles
against BYU
- Intercepted
Max Hall



Chelsea Fowles
VOLLEYBALL

- Nine kills
and season-
high 56 assists
vs. Boise State



Brian McKenna
X-COUNTRY

- Finished
24th at the
Notre Dame
Invitational



Ryan Doyle
BASEBALL

- Pitched a
complete
game shutout
and threw 15
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Last week's winner: Running back Robert Turbin

Section F

A different point of view

The nonconference schedule is in the books. The results: two road losses at Top 25 teams, a narrow defeat against one of the nation's top offenses and a mildly unsatisfactory blowout of an FCS team at home. The Aggies' record currently stands at 1-3, which at this point in the year is exactly where everybody expected them to be.

Now things really get interesting. Looking at the remaining schedule for Utah State. It's safe to say that three of the Aggies' four toughest games this season are in the rearview – Boise State being the remaining one of those four. There also will be no more of this one game at home per three road business like there was to start the year. It's four home and four away from this point on. Considering the Aggies have played arguably the toughest nonconference schedule of any WAC team this season, 1-3 isn't looking too shabby.

From here on out, it's just the WAC schedule for USU. Last year the Aggies went 3-5 in WAC play, with two of those losses being narrow, while all three victories were by an average margin of more than 28 points. Couple last year's relative success with the fact that USU might very well be the most improved team in the WAC this year, and there's

plenty of reason for optimism. With the exception of Boise State, every game from this point on appears to be a winnable one for Utah State. Hell, maybe even the Aggies can shock the world on ESPN2 and actually take down the Broncos. A lovely idea, but far from a likely one in all honesty.

First up in conference play is USU's fellow Aggies from the WAC, New Mexico State. The red Aggies are in a somewhat similar situation to USU in that they are in their first year with a new head coach and are trying to shed the reputation of a perennial WAC cellar-dweller. They opened up the season with a 21-6 home loss to fellow WAC cellar-dweller Idaho, who, believe it or not, is 4-1 so far on the year. NMSU then pulled off a narrow victory at home against FCS opponent Prairie View A&M, as well as another close victory on the road versus in-state rival New Mexico. The Southern Aggies though, were also beaten handily by both San Diego State and UTEP. At 2-3, New Mexico State appears to be on its way to a decently respectable season this year. Appearances can be deceiving, however, especially considering

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Hockey loses two of three

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CSU 6, USU 2

The Colorado State Rams gave the Aggies a rude reception in their first out-of-state road game of the year. Barely 10 minutes into the game, USU captain Kent Arsenault was checked into the boards and knocked out of the game with a concussion, seperated shoulder and a bloody, lacerated eye. In the second period, Arsenault's linemate, Brendan MacDonald, was butt-ended in the ribs and also left the game.

Dan Cornelius, who took the loss on his record as starting goalie, said Colorado State played a very disciplined, physical brand of hockey which gave the Aggies trouble.

"They do play a very physical style," Cornelius said. "CSU, once you get the puck they're hitting you. A lot of the hits are dirty hits. They hit with their hands and elbows and sticks, whatever they can."

Jeremy Martin and Kyle Soder each scored for USU, which led 2-1 in the second period before falling a part due to penalties.

"We came out pretty hard, it's just right after Arsenault went down the team started to take stupid penalties and that's what got us in trouble," wing Jeff Sanders said. "They worked harder and they took advantage of the power plays they got."

Receiving credit for assists in the game were defensemen Maciej Malicik and Mackenzie York, along with forwards MacDonald and Tyler Mistelbacher.

"It was tough going from playing weaker teams to going to play the top end of the league, and CSU's always up there," said assistant captain Dave Wyman.

USU 4, UNC 2

With an entire line – Mistelbacher, MacDonald and Arsenault – sitting out this game with various injuries, it would have been a fine time for the Aggies to pull their heads into their shells and eat a loss, playing against a Northern Colorado squad, which returned most of its players from a team that went to nationals last year.

Instead, USU rallied behind starting goaltender Greg Finatti and came together for a great road win. USU's orange line of Wyman, Sanders and Bill Gouthro was responsible for all four of USU's goals, with Sanders bagging a hat-trick and Wyman popping the remaining goal in.

"I love playing with those two guys," Sanders



USU'S DAVE WYMAN, 27, battles with a BYU player during a game earlier in the season. The Aggies lost to Colorado and Colorado State and defeated Northern Colorado on their recent three-game road trip. **TYLER LARSON photo**

said. "Our line did pretty well in that game."

Wyman praised the effort of his teammates.

"We were short this weekend," he said.

"Everyone was hitting, even guys who don't normally hit. Everyone was going into the corners. There was no complaints about the effort this weekend."

Though it was another highly penalized affair, which Wyman said was due to Colorado schools having four officials at the games as opposed to the three USU is used to, Wyman said Finatti and the Aggie defense killed off penalties all game and then took advantage of the opportunities they got in the offensive zone.

"We played a really good team game for 60 minutes," Wyman said. "Greg Finatti played really well and we played well in front of him."

CU 5, USU 3

The Colorado Buffaloes jumped out to a 4-0 lead on USU in the final game of the road trip, resulting in Finatti being pulled from goal in favor of Cornelius, but neither goalie could prevent USU from falling to another team that went to Nationals last year.

Playing without Arsenault once again, USU could not dig its way out of the hole it went in early in the game, in part due to penalties once again.

"We're letting the refs take over the game and we're not playing our game," Sanders said. "We get one call and then our whole team starts to focus on how bad the refs are."

MacDonald, who was pressed into service despite his injury, led the Aggies with two goals while Wyman bagged another.

"First off, (the Colorado teams) are a lot more defensive than the Utah teams," MacDonald said. "Now that we've played them once we have a taste of the caliber of hockey we'll have to play."

Matt Hamilton led USU with two assists, and Mistelbacher had another helper as USU's record against last year's nationals squads – Weber State, CU, CSU, UNC – fell to 2-2.

Although USU returns to Utah banged up and feeling the effects of three physical games, Wyman said he prefers the physical style.

"It's fun hockey, it's the kind of game you want to play," Wyman said. "I personally love a physical

game. It's difficult to go from a game where you're physically so much stronger than your opponent and you can get away with a lot more, to a fast physical game like the best teams in the league play."

Wyman said this is a good time for the injury bug to hit his team, given the upcoming schedule, which starts with a Saturday night home date against Metro State.

"In hindsight it's a good time for it to hit because we've got a weaker schedule for the next two weeks," he said. "Better now than in November."

Although the Aggies are disappointed to lose two games, Wyman, MacDonald and Sanders said they think the team has learned from its rough weekend in Colorado and will be much more competitive in its two return trips later this season.

"I think it was a great learning weekend for us to gauge where we're at," Wyman said. "That CU game I feel we let it through our hands. That's a team I think we can beat."

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WOMEN'S RUGBY

Lady Aggies struggle offensivley, lose third straight game

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The Lady Aggies suffered another loss Saturday, this time against the Provo Steelers, 22-8. USU head coach Dennis Kohler said the game went OK in every way except for the final score.

"I don't really feel that the score was reflective of the quality of play I know is hiding inside of our women," Kohler said.

USU found itself down 17-8 at the end of the first half and was never able to catch up. The Aggie scores came courtesy of a try from scrum half Jessie Trina and a penalty kick from fly half Shannon Woolley.

The team has been working on better tackling and less hesitation on defense the past couple of weeks in practice said Kohler, and there has been great improvement. There is still room for more improvement, however.

"Two of the Steelers' tries, however, were scored with long breakaways," Kohler said. "This is indicative of the fact that we are missing multiple tackles."

Even with the needed improvement, there were still a few notable performances.

"Meghan Pehrson at fullback was a defensive black hole under the high ball. It was nice on Saturday to not have to worry about defending the deep kick," Kohler said.

He also said that co-captain, strong side

wing forward, Tabitha Morin has put out excellent performances as of late.

"I know Mo (Morin) is going to play well because she is on the field," Kohler said. "It really is that consistent."

To add insult to the recent slump, injuries are taking their toll. Prop "Tippy" Gourley veteran number eight Kelsey Mattson, and lock Katie Martin were out due to injury on Saturday.

Ashlee Clark, freshman prop, who registered the most solid hit of the day, performed well in Gourley's place, and Vanessa Avila-Esparza played at number eight and had no trouble leading the pack. Freshman utility forward Karen Nielson came in at lock.

Kohler said USU was fortunate to have Lyndsey Jackman, wing forward, back and fit from an injury that kept her out last week.

"Lyndsey put in a solid performance in the scrum at hooker, and a great game as usual in the open field and around the breakdown," he said.

Next week the Aggies have a bye and Kohler said the Ags will be working on pace on contact in practice. The following week the Aggies travel to Ogden to help return women's rugby to Weber State. The trip may include a live scrimmage with anyone interested in playing women's rugby.

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Section F: USU ready for WAC

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that Saturday's meeting with USU is likely the most winnable of its remaining games, and this Utah State team is an improved version of the squad that took the red Aggies to the woodshed last year with a 47-2 blowout in the season finale at Romney Stadium. It's safe to say that anything but a win Saturday would be a disappointment for USU.

While the Aggies' defense has struggled this year, they haven't exactly been playing cupcake competition. As of right now, USU's schedule ranks as the No. 18 toughest schedule in the nation. New Mexico State's biggest weakness has been its offense,

which ranks No. 116 in the country, despite having a strength of schedule that currently stands at No. 110. NMSU's best offensive output of the season so far was only slightly better than USU's worst showing over its first four games.

Ideally for the Aggies, they can take control of this game early and get themselves tuned up for the next two weeks when they host Nevada and Louisiana Tech on back-to-back weekends. A 1-0 start to WAC play is the expectation right now. A 3-0 start to WAC play and a top three finish could be in order.

Stay tuned. It's a whole new season now.

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Our View

Coach Andersen, thank you for putting Aggie fans first

Usually, the most dangerous place in America at any given time is between an FBS head coach and a television camera. Self promoters like Steve Spurrier paved the way for coaches like Lane Kiffin, Nick Saban, Rich Rodriguez and Pete Carroll, who are the foremost propagators of their own legend. These are coaches who are dedicated to the programs they work for ... right up until the moment they aren't. Then it's on to the next one, their transition to a more prestigious (well-compensated) position smoothed by the extensive PR work they have already done for themselves.

This made what some people witnessed last Friday night in Provo all the more remarkable. Shortly after the final whistle blew on Utah State's 35-17 loss to BYU, USU head coach Gary Andersen was approached by a television crew looking for a quick post-game reaction. But Andersen didn't have time to speak to the media just then, and he brushed them off and ran up the ramp into the Aggie locker room.

Was coach A channeling Bill Belichick on this one?

Moments later, fans got their answer when members of the USU team began to re-emerge from their locker room. They made their way back down the ramp to the corner of the field where a small pocket of USU fans, and the USU marching band, were seated. When Andersen reappeared, he was escorting the last Aggie out of the locker room to his teams point of assembly. And, as the TV cameras waited for their turn, the team accompanied their fans in singing the Aggie fight song to the notes of a somewhat flat (apparently having had some of the wind knocked out of their lungs by the loss) yet proud band. Only then, after paying tribute to the fans who paid their way into LaVell Edwards Stadium, did Andersen excuse his football team to hit the showers.

It was an aggressive move in hostile territory, but the fans who got to share a moment with their team after the hard-fought loss surely appreciated it. And in an environment of media-savvy head coaches who have their eyes on the next big payday, it was decidedly against the grain. Gary Andersen took the time to thank the fans who applauded his team, and now The Statesman is applauding him.

Clarity needed on Afghanistan

Unusual friction seems to be developing between the Obama administration and its commander in Afghanistan, Gen. Stanley McChrystal. The national security adviser, James Jones, appeared to rebuke McChrystal for campaigning to get 40,000 additional troops to stabilize Afghanistan.

Some administration officials, including Vice President Joe Biden, say al-Qaeda's defeat, not Afghan stability, should be the priority. But in London on Thursday, McChrystal labeled as "short-sighted" any strategy "that does not leave Afghanistan in a stable position."

Jones suggested on CNN on Sunday that McChrystal had overstepped his authority: "Ideally, it's better for military advice to come up through the chain of command."

That's true, but McChrystal's comments seem hardly out of line. After all, President Barack Obama has supported a strong troop and stabilization strategy in Afghanistan. He moved McChrystal into his current position in large part because he didn't believe his predecessor, Army Gen. David McKiernan, was effective

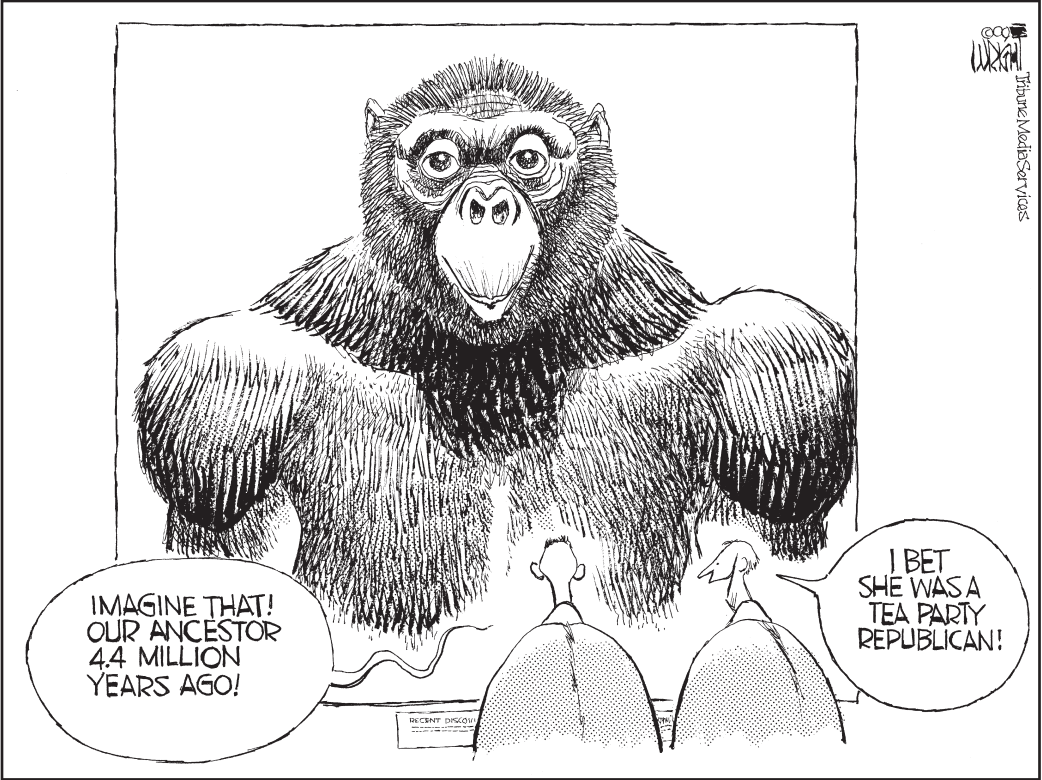
in implementing one. Only recently has the administration seemed to pause over whether a troop buildup and stabilization strategy is the best way to go. Consider what Obama said in a July 2008 trip to Kabul:

"We have to understand that the situation is precarious and urgent here in Afghanistan. And I believe this has to be our central focus. ... I think one of the biggest mistakes we've made strategically after 9/11 was to fail to finish the job here, focus our attention here."

The administration now contends that troop levels are only one component of an overall strategy still under review. True enough. But to some degree, other components hinge on Western forces' ability to keep the Taliban at bay. That's why settling on a firm and shared strategy for Afghanistan is critical.

If the administration is rethinking its strategy in Afghanistan, Obama should be clear about how and why. Short of that, McChrystal deserves unequivocal support.

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Ask Miss Jones

Dear Miss Jones,
I have a problem and I don't have a ton of friends that I feel comfortable talking to about it, so I honestly don't know where else to turn.

See there's this girl that I've liked for a while now. We had a class together a few semesters ago and we became friends, she had a boyfriend so it was always just a crush that I knew would never go anywhere. Last semester her boyfriend of more than a year broke up with her. A few months later I talked to her about it and accidentally confessed my feelings for her. She told me she doesn't want to get into another relationship right now, which I completely understand. The problem is I'm an emotional- and feelings-driven guy and every time I see her my crush for her comes back. Normally I would just avoid her at all costs but I can't because she's in a class of mine. One of the worst parts of this whole thing is every time I see her she looks so damn hot I can't help but look at her and internally go crazy.

I don't see what you could really do for me but I figured I'd let you try to work your magic.

Strung-out and attached

Dear Strung-out and Attached,
You're quite right in thinking that I can't do anything to help you, with all my power I cannot DO anything, but I can and will advise you toward what I think is the best solution.

First off think about the situation from her point of view. She was obviously upset after the breakup with her longtime squeeze, then you pop in and confess your feelings for her. That must have caught her somewhat on her heels.

Here is what I think you should do to put her mind at ease: go to your nearest florist, buy one geranium, one aster, two bachelor

buttons, one stargazer, one hibiscus, four pink roses, a star of Bethlehem and two yellow tulips. For the ones I didn't specify colors don't worry about it, but for the others the colors are important. See in days of old, flowers had specific meanings and symbolism that were often used to communicate certain things. A geranium symbolizes comfort, an aster is for contentment, bachelor buttons are for anticipation, stargazers are for ambition, hibiscus represent delicate beauty, pink roses are for friendship, the star of Bethlehem is for hope and yellow tulips show hopeless love.

I then suggest shamelessly giving her this delightful bouquet of flowers in front of the class or at the very least in front of her roommates. She will no doubt understand that what you are trying to say is that you wish her comfort in this trying time and that you are content with your position of friendship but that you anticipate the day that your ambition of dating her will come; that she is a delicate beauty and that you are hopelessly in love with her. The hope from the star of Bethlehem is simply that you hope it's sooner than later.

After you give her the flowers just kind of fade into the distance for a couple of days until you think the initial creepiness of it wears off. After a little while she should realize what a super catch you are and make it clear that she is ready for you to ask her out. Honestly I cannot see any faults in this plan so get on it ASAP.

Good luck and remember "With as many hands as Miss Jones has around the block, directions must be given."

E-mail your questions to be answered by Miss Jones to statesman.miss.jones@gmail.com.



Matter of trust: A plan to make government ownership of business less political

Government ownership of banks, car factories and insurance companies has little or no precedent in U.S. history — and a poor track record in countries that have tried it. When governments own companies, they succumb to the temptation to manage them according to political rather than economic criteria. Losses mount, and government bleeds the rest of the economy to cover them.

At the moment, the federal government finds itself in possession of large chunks of America's biggest industrial and financial firms. This less-than-optimal situation is the result of economic emergency, not some sort of socialist plot on the part of President Obama, as some would have it. Indeed, though the bailout of both GM and Chrysler favored the United Auto Workers, one of the Democratic Party's key

constituencies, since then the president seems to have let the car companies run themselves.

The problem is that there is no institutional guarantee that this will remain the case. The true test of the White House's hands-off approach will come when management wants to do something that touches the president's

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One ex-slave fights for a brighter day for victims of human trafficking

Of all the voiceless people on Earth, I can think of few more unfortunate than the multitudes — mostly women and children — who toil as modern-day slaves. They typically suffer cruelty, deprivation of their rights and unspeakable living conditions. And they face only two certainties, both unpleasant: that they will wake up tomorrow to more of the same or die.

Along the way, some — such as Somaly Mam, a Cambodian human-rights activist who was sold into brothel slavery as a child — essentially die inside. Mam is one of the lucky ones, however, for she managed to escape her tormentors and move to another continent. Others like her who are orphaned as children and shunned easily slip into slavery's shadowy grip and accept their fate. In a perverse sort of way, they have a place, are welcome and find companionship. But their place is grim, their welcome good only so long as they obey and their companionship for sale to customers from around the world.

For a while, Mam reveled in her new, safe life. But she could not ignore a nagging impulse deep inside her being. It quickly crescendoed, pulling her back to the land where she had experienced no peace, privacy or personal dignity. She knew how many thousands of Cambodians — and millions of others around the world — lived in misery, whether in brothels or in similar conditions of forced servitude. Her hapless compatriots needed a voice. They needed an inspiration. They needed a champion.

It was no easy task. Mam found herself confronting both tradition and the indifference of too many, thereby guaranteeing opposition and danger. Still, she proceeded with her work, rescuing women and girls, offering shelter, and providing

training and other assistance. Her former abusers, angered and indignant that someone — especially a former victim — would dare stand against them, struck back with all the nastiness that craven minds can muster. They issued insults and death threats, burned Mam's home and, worst of all, kidnapped and brutalized her teenage daughter.

Yet Mam was unfazed. When you have already died inside, she says, there is nothing left to kill. Thus, she and her supporters have persisted, rescuing hundreds of Cambodians from slavery each year — for a total of more than 6,000 to date.

Some critics question such tactics, pointing out that recovery is difficult for many freed slaves. Besides, they argue, the results are at best mixed

because of the absence of reliable systems of law enforcement and criminal justice, which is part of the problem. Further, there is a large and easily accessible supply of replacements; for every woman or girl who breaks free, another can be taken.

Mam acknowledges that not all of the rescued slaves recover and reenter the mainstream. Some cannot cope and take their own lives. Others return to the brothels. But most revel in and take full advantage of their freedom, as Mam herself did.

Of course, activists such as Mam and her kindred spirits in other countries operate at a severe disadvantage. They are still building their anti-slavery campaigns and have modest resources, whereas the traffickers are well-organized and

amply financed. The global recession, which has helped drive the average price of a slave well below \$100, also rises against them.

Thankfully, the abolitionists are not discouraged. They need and deserve armies of supporters and sympathizers, as well as the help of governments and international organizations. If the effort were global, persistent and decisive — with the goal of eradicating human trafficking within a generation — then the slaves of Cambodia and other countries would finally wake up to a less-desperate reality.

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Plan: Not an Obama socialist plot

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vital political interests, or those of his supporters. Meanwhile, Congress remains able and willing to meddle. This is why the Troubled Assets Relief Program's congressional oversight panel recently proposed that "to limit the impact of conflicts of interest and to facilitate an effective exit strategy, Treasury should also consider placing its Chrysler and GM shares in an independent trust that would be insulated from political pressure and government interference."

Legislation introduced by Sen. Mark Warner, D-Va., and a Republican colleague, Bob Corker, Tenn., would do just that. Under the proposal, any government equity stakes in private companies greater than 20 percent — currently AIG, Citigroup and General Motors meet that criterion — would move into a trust managed by three independent, nonpolitical trustees, appointed by the administration but removable only because of serious misconduct. The trustees would have a fiduciary responsibility to maximize return to the taxpayer. They would have to liquidate the government's interests by the end of 2011, but could delay if they can show Congress that it would be in the taxpayers' interests to wait. Even Americans who don't embrace conspiracy theories are justifiably concerned about prolonged federal ownership of major businesses. They need reassurance that the likes of GM and AIG will not become political playthings, and it's in Obama's interest to work with those in Congress who are trying to provide it.

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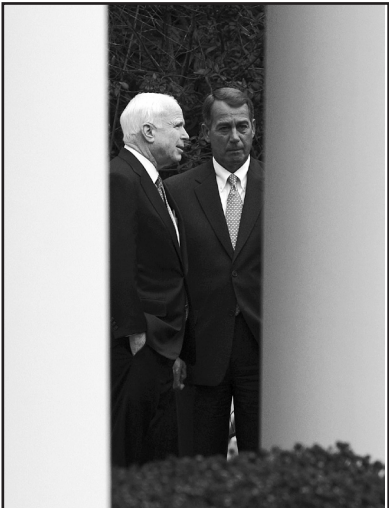
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Obama offers no firm signals on troop increases

WASHINGTON (AP) – President Barack Obama on Tuesday ruled out shrinking the Afghanistan war to a counterterrorism campaign. Yet he did not signal whether he is prepared to send any more troops to the war zone – either the 40,000 his top commander wants or a smaller buildup, according to several officials.

House and Senate leaders of both parties emerged from a nearly 90-minute conversation with Obama with praise for his candor and interest in listening. But politically speaking, all sides appeared to exit where they entered, with Republicans pushing Obama to follow his military commanders and Democrats saying he should not be rushed.

Obama is examining how to proceed with a worsening war that has claimed nearly 800 U.S. lives and sapped American patience. Launched after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks to defeat the Taliban and rid al-Qaida of a home base, the war has lasted longer than ever envisioned – eight years on



SEN. JOHN MCCAIN, R-Ariz., left, talks with House Minority Leader John Boehner at the White House Tuesday, Oct. 6. *AP photo*

Wednesday.

Obama said the war would not be reduced to a narrowly defined counterterrorism effort, with the withdrawal of many U.S. forces and an emphasis on special operations forces that target terrorists in the dangerous border region of Afghanistan and Pakistan. Two senior administration officials say such a scenario has been inaccurately characterized and linked to Vice President Joe Biden, and that Obama wanted to make clear he is considering no such plan.

The president did not show his hand on troop increases. His top commander in Afghanistan, Gen. Stanley McChrystal, has bluntly warned that more troops are needed to right the war, perhaps up to 40,000 more. Obama has already added 21,000 troops this year, raising the total to 68,000. Obama also gave no timetable for a decision, which prompted at least one pointed exchange.

Inside the State Dining Room, where the meeting was held, Obama's Republican oppo-

nent in last year's presidential race, Sen. John McCain, told Obama that he should not move at a "leisurely pace," according to people in the room.

That comment later drew a sharp response from Obama, they said. Obama said no one felt more urgency than he did about the war, and there would not be nothing leisurely about it.

Obama may be considering a more modest building of troops – closer to 10,000 than 40,000 – according to Republican and Democratic congressional aides. But White House aides said no such decision has been made.

The president insisted that he will make a decision on troops after settling on the strategy ahead. He told lawmakers he will be deliberate yet show urgency.

"We do recognize that he has a tough decision, and he wants ample time to make a good decision," said House Republican leader John Boehner. "Frankly, I support that, but we need to remember that every day that goes by, the troops that we do have there are in greater danger."

What's clear is that the mission in Afghanistan is not changing. Obama said his focus is to keep al-Qaida terrorists from having a base from which to launch attacks on the U.S. or its allies. He heard from 18 lawmakers and said he would keep seeking such

input even knowing his final decision would not please them all.

Several lawmakers described the exchanges as helpful and open. Different views emerged over just how much backing the president will get.

"The one thing that I think was interesting is that everyone, Democrats and Republicans, said, 'Whatever decision you make, we'll support it,' basically," said Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev. "So we'll see."

The Senate's top Republican, Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, said later: "I think Republicans will be able to make the decisions for themselves." But he added that Obama is likely to get significant Republican support if he follows the advice of his military commanders. Boehner agreed, saying "my colleagues on the House side will be there to support" Obama if he stays true to the mission of denying a haven for al-Qaida terrorists or Taliban militants who are fiercely fighting coalition forces.

Obama's emphasis on working off a strong strategy did not mean he shed much light on what it would be. He did, though, seek to "dispense with the more extreme options on either side of the debate," as one administration official put it. The official spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss details of the closed-door meeting.

NASA contractor ATK laying off 550 employees

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) – The phase-out of the space shuttle program brought 550 layoffs on Tuesday to a Utah company that makes the booster rockets.

ATK Space Systems said it was handing out pink slips to engineers, factory workers and others at three Utah locations.

The company, a business unit of Minneapolis-based Alliant Techsystems Inc., is developing NASA's powerful moon rocket as a replacement for the space shuttle. But funding for that program is uncertain, and the initial work isn't enough to maintain a full work force.

The layoffs will leave ATK Space Systems with around 3,900 employees at its Clearfield headquarters, a factory in Magna and a test facility in Promontory.

The company alerted workers to plans for the reductions in July. More than 130

of the employees voluntarily accepted a layoff. Along with others, they will get a severance package of up to a half-year's wages.

Some of the layoffs were blamed on the end of production for the government's Minuteman III ballistic missile program.

Despite the cutbacks, the company believes it has a secure future in aerospace work and said it was working to secure more defense or NASA contract work.

ATK successfully test fired NASA's powerful moon rocket last month in Promontory, 65 miles north of Salt Lake City. A first attempt in August was scrubbed because of problems with a computer component on the ground test system.

The Ares I has been a centerpiece of NASA's \$100 billion return to the moon

plans, first suggested by President George W. Bush in 2004. The idea was that the Ares I would take the Orion crew capsule to the international space station in Earth orbit and then to the moon, with the big equipment coming from a heavy lift rocket, still to be built, called Ares V.

But after money problems, delays, and technical issues, President Barack Obama appointed a special outside panel of experts to review NASA's future space plans. The committee's preliminary summary, issued last month, said there wasn't enough money in the current budget to go to the moon and also suggested that the Ares I may not be the best option.

Still, NASA plans to permanently retire the space shuttles by the end of next year, when construction of the international space station is finished.



ENGINEERS WITH ATK Space Systems examine the test area after a successful test firing of the five-segment, first stage of the Ares-I rocket, at ATK Space Systems in Promontory, Utah, Sept. 10, 2009. The rocket motor is NASA's next generation transportation system designed for the Orion program. *AP photo*

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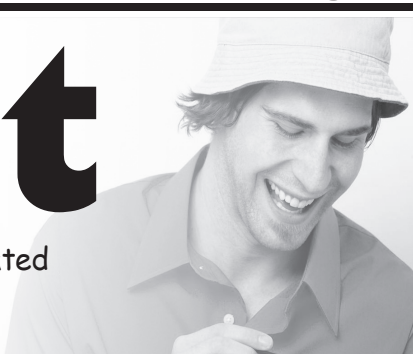


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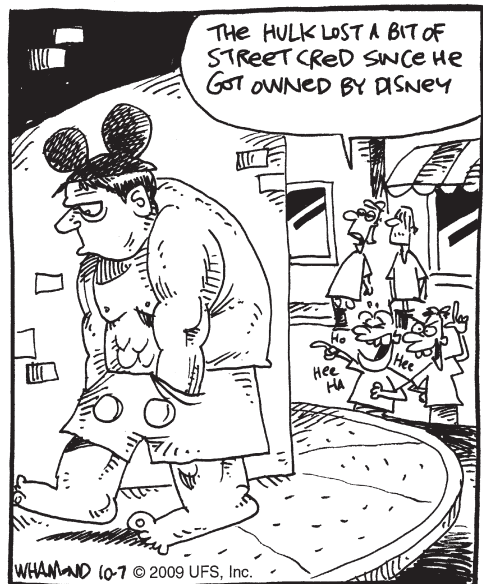
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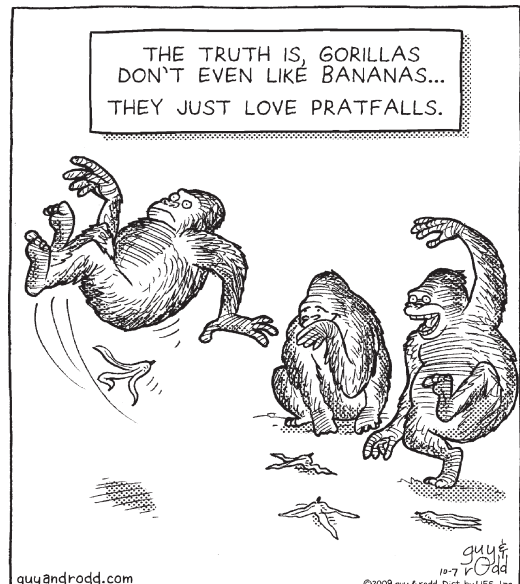
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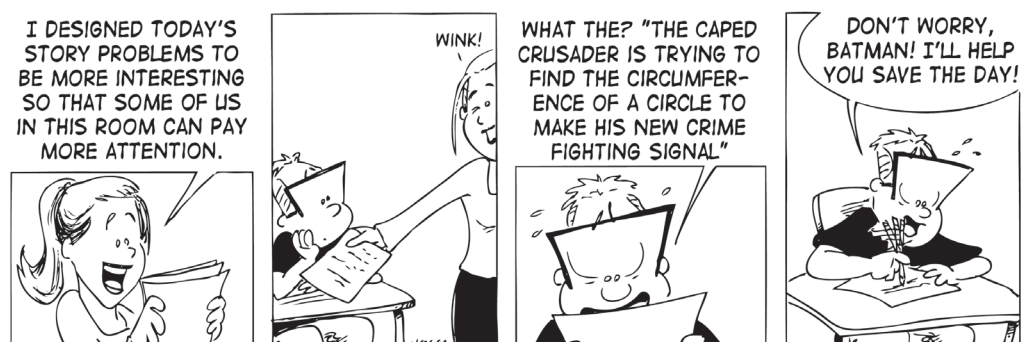


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G-Force PG
Daily 4:45
Saturday 12:15, 2:45

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Daily 3:45, 6:35
Saturday 12:45

Funny People R
Daily 9:45

G.I Joe: Rise of Cobra
Daily 7:15, 9:50

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Misc. 4 sale

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12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30
- **JULIE AND JULIA* (PG-13)**
1:30, 4:00, 7:05, 9:40
- **LOVE HAPPENS* (PG-13)**
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- **9* (PG-13)**
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- **GAMER* (R)**
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- **WHITEOUT* (R)**
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- **CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS* (PG)**
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MOVIES 5
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4:05, 6:55
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- **PROPOSAL (PG-13)**
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- **EXTRACT (R)**
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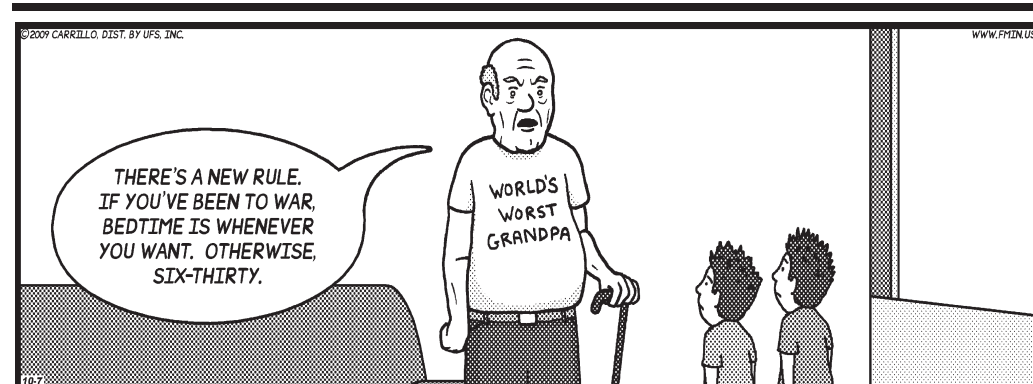
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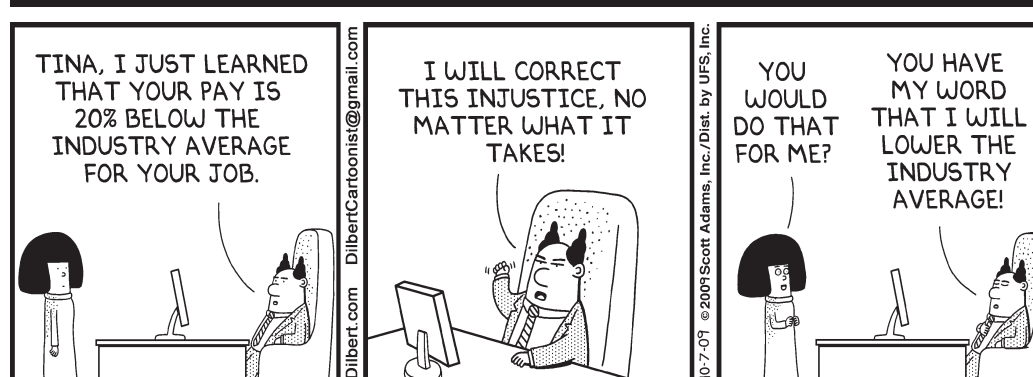
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- 61 Metallic mixture
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- 13 Assist
- 14 Current unit
- 15 Schnauzer
- 16 "Farewell, Francois!"
- 17 Transmits
- 18 Bartholomew
- 19 Cubbins' problem
- 24 Grimm's creature
- 29 Evergreen tree
- 31 Bunyan's whacker
- 34 Yen
- 36 Horoscopes
- 37 "— Have to Go" ('60 hit)
- 38 Silverware
- 40 Marineland performer
- 41 Bar supply
- 42 Leaf part
- 43 Inland sea
- 44 Lhasa —
- 45 Grand —
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- 53 Insurgent
- 55 Decisive defeat
- 56 Alpine area
- 58 Gentle —
- 59 Composer
- 60 Relate
- 62 Iranian religion
- 64 Opinions
- 67 Draconian
- 70 Boa, but not cobra
- 72 Foot part
- 73 Wing-ding
- 74 "Tommy" or "Tannhauser"
- 75 Treasure
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- 82 Horror film extra
- 83 Book part
- 86 "ER"
- 89 Completes the cake
- 91 Anita Loos comedy
- 92 "— may look on a king"
- 93 Switch
- 95 Ferrara first family
- 97 Actor
- 98 Enriquez
- 100 Doctrine
- 102 Haifa native
- 105 "Yo!"
- 106 "Yay!"
- 107 At any time
- 108 Most sweeping
- 109 Cugat consort
- 110 Composer
- 111 Copland
- 112 Salton
- 114 Jets, Mets, or Nets
- 116 Dorothy's dog
- 118 impress
- 119 Big bird
- 121 Auel heroine
- 122 Potatoes' partner
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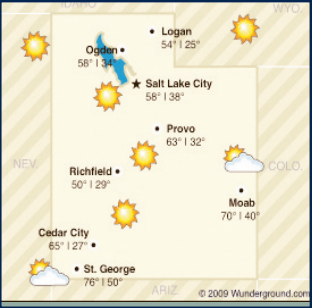
Today is **Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2009**. Today's issue of The Utah Statesman is published especially for Matt Thamphyia, freshman studying guitar performance, from Logan, Utah.

Almanac

Today in History: In 1949, fewer than five months after Great Britain, the United States, and France established the Federal Republic of Germany in West Germany, the Democratic Republic of Germany is proclaimed within the Soviet occupation zone. Criticized by the West as an un-autonomous Soviet creation, Wilhelm Pieck was named East Germany's first president, with Otto Grotewohl as prime minister.

Weather

High: 53° Low: 28° Sunny



StatesmanBack Burner

Wednesday Oct. 7

- College of Natural Resources Week.
- Re-entry Social, TSC, 6 p.m.
- Men's Golf, at Wyoming Desert Classic, all-day.

Thursday Oct. 8

- College of Natural Resources Week.
- Women's Tennis, Utah State Open, all-day.
- Re-entry Social, TSC, 6 p.m.
- Breast Cancer Awareness, TSC Patio, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Tech Expo, TSC Ballroom, 4 - 8 p.m.
- Volleyball at Fresno State, 8 p.m.

Friday Oct. 9

- College of Natural Resources Week.
- Women's Tennis, Utah State Open, all-day.
- Breast Cancer Awareness, TSC Patio, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- USU Major Fair, TSC International Lounge, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Women's Soccer at Boise State, 4 p.m.
- Reduce, Reuse, and Rock, Old Main amphitheater, 7 p.m.

Major Fair

The USU Major Fair will be held Oct. 9 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the TSC International Lounge. Come explore the major, minor and program options available at USU. Enter to win great prizes. Sponsored by University Advising 797-3373.

Light festival

The annual Diwali Festival of Light show will be held on Oct. 10 in the TSC Ballroom at 6 p.m. Come enjoy the exquisite Indian cuisine, traditional music and dance performances and experience the culture of India.

Breast cancer

Come join us in the fight against Breast Cancer with Plant a Pink Tulip Project. The USU Women's Resource Center will be hosting this event in honor of Breast Cancer survivors Oct. 10 at the Cache Valley Humane Society. Planting will begin at 1 p.m.

Chemistry

Chemistry and Biochemistry Departmental Seminar is Oct. 7 from 4-5 p.m. in ESLC 046. The speaker will be Ding-Yah Yang from New Mexico State/Tunghai University.

Undergrad grants

Undergraduate research and creative opportunity grants are due by noon on Oct. 15. Please submit electronically. Optional individualized conferences are available with Dr. Kinhead: www.research.usu.edu/undergrad.

Burgerfest

ASCE is holding its annual BurgerFest on Oct. 7 from 11:20 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. on the sidewalks on the north and south sides of the library. Burgers \$2, hotdogs \$1, soda 50 cents.

You need to know....

On Oct. 7 the Common Ground Outdoor Adventures will be leading a **hiking activity** to the Limber Pine Trail. Cost is \$5. Visit us on the Web at www.ogadventures.org or call us at 435-713-0288.

Make a difference in your community on Oct. 10 at 9:30 a.m. Sportsman for Fish and Wildlife and the Bear River Watershed Council are working on cleaning up and restoring the mouth of **Smithfield Dry Canyon**. For more information call 435-563-8272 or visit www.smithfielddrycanyon.blogspot.com.

Come celebrate **Breast Cancer Awareness week**. Stop by the booth Oct. 8-9 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. for free candy and pink ribbons. Bring pink Yoplait lids, enter drawings for prizes and get info about breast cancer. We would like all students, faculty and staff to wear pink on Oct. 9 in support of Breast Cancer Awareness.

The **Old Barn Theatre** announces auditions for Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat on Oct. 15 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. All parts are open. Must be 18 years of age or older. For more information call 435-257-1312 or e-mail hulllauralee@yahoo.com.

Free meditation and stress management classes are held every week at 843 S. 100 West in Logan. Contact **Cosmic Nudge** at 435-363-7173 for more info.

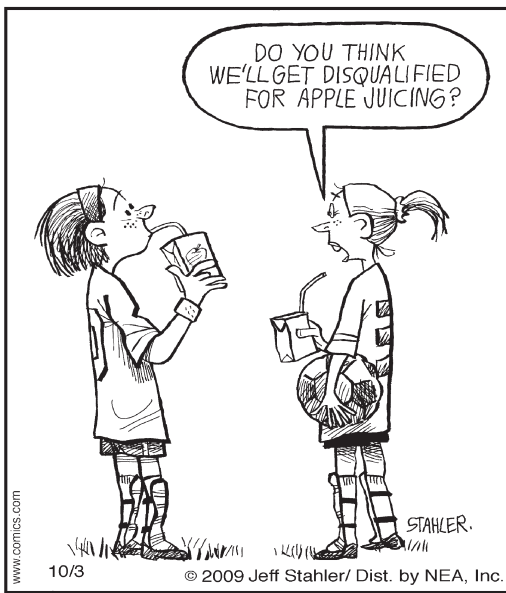
The Utah State **Poetry Society** and the Salt Lake City Library will host Utah Poet of the Year Gail Schimmelpfennig's book reading and concert of The Frozen Kingdom, on Oct. 10 at 7 p.m. at the main Salt Lake City Library on 210 E. 400 South in the auditorium. Admission is free.

Cafe Ibis will have live music from **Bruce Moulton** on Oct. 9 at 7 p.m. If you haven't seen Bruce, you have been missing out. Cost is free.

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